## US Army Corps of Engineers. Philadelphia District

## **PROJECT FACTSHEET**

## New Jersey Intracoastal Waterway Dredged Hole 35 Restoration, Ocean City, NJ

April 2009

**CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS:** Rep. LoBiondo (NJ-2)

APPROPRIATION / PHASE: Continuing BUSINESS PROGRAM: Ecosystem Restoration

Authorities / Design & Implementation w/ Beneficial Use of Dredged Material

**AUTHORITY:** Section 204, Water Resources Development Act of 1992, as amended.

**LOCATION:** The study area includes a 70-mile portion of the New Jersey Intracoastal Waterway (NJIWW) located between Great Bay on the north and Delaware Bay on the south.

**DESCRIPTION:** Decades of maintenance dredging have generated millions of cubic yards of dredged material, which has been placed in upland and overboard disposal sites located in environmentally sensitive areas along the NJIWW. Dredged material disposal has become increasingly difficult as existing sites are filled to capacity and as environmental regulations restrict dredging and disposal. Many disposal areas have negatively impacted the local habitat and thus present a significant opportunity for ecosystem restoration. This study has identified opportunities for ecosystem restoration throughout the NJIWW and bay system, as well as modifications to current O&M practices with an emphasis on beneficial uses of dredged material. The Dredged Hole 35 Restoration Project involves filling an existing dredged hole in the vicinity of Ocean City with 118,000 cubic yards of dredged material from the NJIWW to restore approximately 6 acres of submerged aquatic vegetation and fisheries habitat.

**STATUS:** The Feasibility Report was completed under the General Investigation appropriation. Plans developed in the Feasibility study will be recommended for implementation as small projects in the Continuing Authority Program. A draft feasibility report and request to terminate the General Investigation will be submitted to NAD in April/May 2009. FY09 funds would be used to initiate design and implementation under the Continuing Authority Program.

<b>FINANCIAL</b>				<b>BUDGE</b>
<b>DATA (\$000)</b>	Fed	Non-Fed	Total	DATA (\$
Design & Implem	entation 1,80	0 600	2,400	Thru FY

BUDGET		
<b>DATA (\$000</b>	Comments	
Thru FY 08	0	
FY 09	TBD	

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